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Fall 2019



# Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center



## a message from Lara Winburn Chief Development Officer

I am so excited about the opportunity to work with you and the Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountain to Midlands. I have spent nearly a decade in mission-driven work with

a strong network of civic-minded individuals in South Carolina and across the country. Philanthropists, like you, make this work possible! I am honored to be a part of this team and thrilled to see what we can accomplish together for the girls of South Carolina and a particularly special Brownie to me, my daughter and her Troop 1879.



Girls in the STEM Lab



(from left to right) Girl Scouts at the ribbon cutting ceremony with Congressman James Clyburn, SC Lieutenant Governor Pamela Evette, GSUSA Chief Customer Officer Lynelle McKay, Honorary Chair Susu Johnson, Campaign Chair Karen Mitchell, GSSC-MM Board Chair Meredith Manning, First Lady of SC Peggy McMaster, and Honorary Chair Charlotte Berry

The Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center was designed with input from girls, volunteers, and stakeholders and serves as an incubator for leadership for young women across our council, all in view of the South Carolina State House.



SC Lieutenant Governor Pamela Evette in the Arts Studio



First Lady of SC Peggy McMaster in the STEM Lab



Congressman James Clyburn observing the Indoor Rappelling and Climbing Wall

This fall, GSSC-MM proudly opened the doors of the Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center for the first time to girls, adults, media, donors, and supporters. Thank you to everyone who gave their time, resources, and donations to make the Leadership Center a reality.





## Girl Scouts of South Carolina— Mountains to Midlands is proud to announce the 2019 recipients of the Spartanburg Women of Distinction Awards:



**Hope Blackley-Logan** began her professional career with the United Way of the Piedmont. From there, she became a child victim advocate. Hope was appointed as the Crime Victims' Ombudsman for the state. Mrs. Blackley-Logan directed the Governor's Office of Victim Services Education

& Certification (OVSEC) where she helped write legislation creating this office. In 2019, Mrs. Blackley-Logan joined Congressman William Timmons' office as his District Director to effect positive change on a higher level.



**Elaine Smith** is the Chief Human Resource Business partner for Contec, Incorporated, the leading manufacturer of contamination control products for mission-critical cleaning in manufacturing environments worldwide. Elaine has served on numerous boards, and currently

volunteers with United Way of the Piedmont and Healthy Smiles of Spartanburg.

## This Girl is Going Places



Meet Tori Harrison. She is a Girl Scout that is going places. Tori earned Girl Scouts' Highest Awards, served as an Honorary Page on the State House floor, and traveled across the country on two Girl Scout Destinations.

Tori recognizes the experiences that Girl Scouts offers her every day, "I am thankful for the opportunities I have through Girl Scouts. It made me feel very independent and it encouraged me to pursue other opportunities."



## Donor Corner



Judy Simpson is an annual, capital, and planned gift donor because she understands the importance of preparing girls to empower themselves for a lifetime of leadership.

Judy is clear about the "why" behind her philanthropy. "I give because I believe in the Girl Scout program and what it provides for the growth of girls. I give because of what Girl Scouts has given to me."

Thank you, Judy. Your giving spirit creates incredible experiences for girls!

## Remembering Emily Clyburn



Dr. Emily Clyburn was born on November 2, 1938 and passed away on September 19, 2019. She is most well-known for her professional accomplishments as a librarian and was recognized for her philanthropy. Dr. Clyburn was married for 58 years to Congressman James Clyburn, and leaves behind three daughters and four grandchildren. Dr. Clyburn was a friend, volunteer, and donor. She was recognized by Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands as a Woman of Distinction and received a standing ovation at the awards ceremony for her work in civil rights, education, and philanthropy. She had a giving spirit and made a difference in the lives of many girls. We extend our deepest sympathies to Emily's family and honor her memory by making sure there is a place for every girl at our table. She will truly be missed.



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